

Thompson Visclosky Wolf
Torkildsen Volkmer Yates
Velazquez Waters Zimmer
Vento Weller

ANSWERED "PRESENT"—1

Harman

NOT VOTING—37

Brown (CA)	Kennedy (RI)	Roth
Brown (FL)	Largent	Saxton
Chapman	LaTourette	Schroeder
Coleman	Lincoln	Slaughter
Collins (IL)	Livingston	Smith (NJ)
Collins (MI)	Manton	Stockman
Crane	McCrery	Taylor (MS)
Diaz-Balart	McDade	Torres
Ewing	Menendez	Whitfield
Foglietta	Obey	Wilson
Frank (MA)	Peterson (MN)	Young (AK)
Gunderson	Pombo	
Johnson, Sam	Rangel	

□ 1025

Mr. HILLIARD changed his vote from "yea" to "nay."

Ms. HARMAN changed her vote from "yea" to "present."

So the Journal was approved.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from Maryland [Mr. WYNN] come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. WYNN led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Mr. Lundregan, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate had passed without amendment a bill of the House of the following title:

H.R. 3055. An act to amend section 326 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 to permit continued participation by Historically Black Graduate Professional Schools in the grant program authorized by that section.

□ 1030

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The Speaker laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, April 25, 1996.

Hon. NEWT GINGRICH,
The Speaker,
U.S. House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: I have the honor to transmit herewith a copy of the unofficial election returns received from Julian R. Manelli, Deputy Administrator, Maryland State Administrative Board of Election Laws, indicating that, according to the unofficial returns of the Special Election held on April 16, 1996, the Honorable Elijah E. Cummings was elected to the office of Representative in Congress, from the Seventh Congressional District, State of Maryland.

With warm regards,

ROBIN H. CARLE.

STATE ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD
OF ELECTION LAWS,
Annapolis, MD, April 17, 1996.

Ms. Robin H. Carle,
Clerk, U.S. House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MS. CARLE: Pursuant to your request I am faxing to you the unofficial election results of the 1996 Special Election held on April 16, 1996 in the Seventh Congressional District to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Congressman Kweisi Mfume.

Should you need additional information please contact this office.

Sincerely,

JULIAN R. MANELLI,
Deputy Administrator.

DEMOCRATIC PARTY

(D) Elijah E. Cummings, 2014 Madison Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21217, Baltimore City.

(W) Barry Patrick Farley, 429 West 23rd Street, Baltimore, MD 21211, Baltimore City.

Counties	Cummings	Farley
Baltimore City	13,942	0
Baltimore County	3,970	24
Total	17,912	24
Percent of total votes	99	1

REPUBLICAN PARTY

(R) Kenneth Kondner, 6610 Windsor Mill Road, Baltimore, MD 21207, Baltimore County.

Counties	Kondner
Baltimore City	1,061
Baltimore County	3,070
Total	4,131
Percent of total votes	100

SWEARING IN OF THE HONORABLE
ELIJAH E. CUMMINGS OF MARY-
LAND AS A MEMBER OF THE
HOUSE

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the gentleman from Maryland, Mr. ELIJAH E. CUMMINGS, be permitted to take the oath of office today. His certificate of election has not arrived, but there is no contest, and no objection has been raised with regard to his election.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Maryland?

There was no objection.

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, I would ask, if I might, for the distinguished gentlewoman from California, NANCY PELOSI, to join us, with the gentleman from Maryland, Mr. CUMMINGS. She is a sister of the former mayor of Baltimore, and a distinguished daughter of the city which Mr. CUMMINGS will represent.

There was no objection.

The SPEAKER. The distinguished gentlewoman from California [Mr. PELOSI] will be welcome in the well, along with the Maryland delegation.

If the delegation will join the Member-elect.

Mr. ELIJAH E. CUMMINGS appeared at the bar of the House and took the oath of office, as follows:

Do you solemnly swear that you will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that you will

bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that you take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion, and that you will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which you are about to enter. So help you God.

The SPEAKER. Congratulations. You are now a Member of the U.S. House of Representatives.

WELCOMING THE HONORABLE ELI-
JAH E. CUMMINGS TO THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

(Mr. HOYER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, it is my great honor and privilege, on behalf of all of my colleagues in the Maryland delegation, to first welcome two of America's most outstanding leaders who have represented the Seventh Congressional District which the gentleman from Maryland [Mr. CUMMINGS] now represents.

They are our friends, they were our colleagues, they are great Americans: The Honorable Parren Mitchell, our former colleague; and another example of the extraordinary quality that the constituents of the Seventh District sends to the Congress of the United States, the president and chief operating officer of the NAACP, our former colleague and great American, Kweisi Mfume.

Mr. Speaker, I have the opportunity to introduce to the House their newest colleague. He is the son of Rev. Ruth Cummings and Rev. Robert Cummings. Mr. Speaker, before I make my brief remarks and yield to the minority leader, I would like to acknowledge Senators SARBANES and MIKULSKI, who have joined us from the other body.

Mr. Speaker, although under the rules I cannot recognize them as being in the gallery, and I shall not do so, it has been brought to my attention that the distinguished Speaker of the Maryland House of Delegates, Casper Taylor, will be able to hear my words. Mr. Speaker; with all due apologies to our distinguished friend, Mr. JOHNSON.

Come walk with me. Come walk with me. I say these words with reverence to our newest Member of the House. These are his words, his words which have been spoken often in the chambers of Annapolis, and which I know will be spoken often here to us. Words like these are not heard often enough these days. It is more often "Come fight with me."

But these words represent the heart of what ELIJAH CUMMINGS is all about: A consummate legislator, a dedicated public servant, a consensus builder, a fighter for what is right; a man, as you will all find, of drive and determination, a man who has ascended to leadership through integrity, hard work, and a belief in the good in mankind.

Born in Baltimore City, a graduate of City College in Baltimore, a graduate